

What is claimed as new and desired to be secured by Letters Patent of the United States is:

1. A holder for supporting pita pockets, tacos, and any likewise shaped item  
5 in an upright position comprising:

a) an outer surface wherein a portion of said outer surface and related inner surface is a segment of a substantially thin walled cylinder having a curvilinear geometry about an axis, and

b) a stable base, established by contact points that lie on a common base  
10 plane wherein said contact points are positioned on opposing edge portions of said outer surface, and

c) item receptacle means positioned within said outer surface sized slightly wider than said item to provide side support and also provides bottom support of said item orientating the length of said item generally transverse to said axis, and

d) handle means to carry said holder with said item installed, and also

e) an interior volume accessible from an underside open expanse between  
15 said opposing edge portions, allowing multiple said holders to be stacked one upon the other.

2. The holder as recited in claim 1 wherein said receptacle means comprises  
20 a single or plurality of receptacles positioned in said outer surface for supporting multiples of said item.

3. The holder as recited in claim 1 wherein said receptacle means comprises a single or plurality of apertures penetrating the said outer surface.

4. The holder as recited in claim 1 wherein said receptacle means comprises a single or plurality of substantially thin walled impressions formed to contour to said item, wherein downward facing sidewalls are sufficiently tapered for stacking multiple said holders one on the other.

5. The holder as recited in claim 1 wherein said handle means comprises a minimum of one extension from the topside of said outer surface.

6. The holder as recited in claim 1 wherein said handle means comprises a minimum of one opening within said outer surface.

7. The holder as recited in claim 1 wherein said handle means incorporates added materials to improve gripping properties, and heat insulating properties.

8. The holder as recited in claim 1 wherein stiffening means are formed into said holder.

9. The holder as recited in claim 1 wherein said stable base incorporates added material to improve friction and gripping properties, and heat insulating properties.

10. The holder as recited in claim 1 wherein multiple devices are formed from multiple sheets of material stacked together and formed in a sequential forming process.

5           11. The holder as recited in claim 1 wherein said stable base incorporates attachment means to secure said holder to serving surfaces.

12. A holder for supporting pita pockets, tacos, and any likewise shaped item in an upright position comprising:

10           a) an outer surface wherein a portion of said outer surface and related inner surface is a segment of a substantially thin walled cylinder having a curvilinear geometry about an axis, and

            b) a stable base, established by contact points that lie on a common base plane wherein said contact points are positioned on opposing edge portions of said  
15           outer surface, and

            c) item receptacle means positioned within said outer surface sized slightly wider than said item to provide side support and also provides bottom support of said item orientating the length of said item generally transverse to said axis, and

            d) handle means to carry said holder with said item installed, and also

20           e) an open interior volume accessible from an underside open expanse between said opposing edge portions, allowing multiple said holders to be stacked one upon the other, and

            f) stiffening means formed into said holder.

13. The holder as recited in claim 12 wherein said receptacle means comprises a single or plurality of receptacles positioned in said outer surface for supporting multiples of said item.

5           14. The holder as recited in claim 12 wherein said stiffening means comprises areas of raised or indented geometric features in said outer surface.

15. The holder as recited in claim 12 wherein said stiffening means comprises edge features formed on said outer surface.

10           16. The holder as recited in claim 12 wherein said stable base incorporates attachment means to serving surfaces.

15           17. The holder as recited in claim 15 wherein said edge features comprises extended downward facing tapered sidewall of said outer surface on one or both ends of said holder positioned transverse to said axis.

18. The holder as recited in claim 17 wherein said handle means comprises an opening in said extended tapered sidewall.

20           19. The holder as recited in claim 12 wherein said holder has environmental resistance to cooking ovens.

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b) a stable base, established by contact points that lie on a common base plane wherein said contact points are positioned on opposing edge portions of said outer surface, and

c) item receptacle means, positioned within said outer surface sized slightly wider than said item to provide side support and also provides bottom support of said item orientating the length of said item generally transverse to said axis, and

d) handle means to carry said holder with said item installed, and

e) an open interior volume accessible from an underside open expanse between said opposing edge portions, allowing multiple said holders to be stacked one upon the other, and

f) stiffening means formed into said holder, and

g) attachment means on said stable base to secure said holder to a serving surface.